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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Office of Commercial Space Transportation; Notice of Extension of Comment Period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the SpaceX Texas Launch Site

AGENCY: DOT, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), lead Federal agency; and National Aeronautics and Space Administration, National Park Service, U.S. Army White Sands Missile Range, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, cooperating agencies.

ACTIONS: Notice of Extension of Comment Period.

SUMMARY: A Notice of Availability (NOA) for the FAA's *Draft Environmental Impact*Statement for the SpaceX Texas Launch Site (Draft EIS) was published in the Federal Register by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on April 19, 2013 (78 FR 23558). The FAA also published an NOA of the Draft EIS in the Federal Register on the same day (78 FR 23629). The comment period for the Draft EIS was to end on June 3, 2013 (45 days after publication of the proposal in the Federal Register). This notice extends the comment period to June 24, 2013 to allow the public additional time to comment on the Draft EIS.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 24, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments or questions regarding the Draft EIS to Ms. Stacey M. Zee, FAA Environmental Specialist, SpaceX EIS c/o Cardno TEC Inc., 275 West Street, Suite 110, Annapolis, MD 21401. Comments may also be submitted via email to faaspacexeis@cardnotec.com or by fax to (410) 990-0455.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

On April 19, 2013, the FAA published a Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS in the Federal

Register and requested comments. See 78 FR 23629. The comment period for the Draft EIS was

originally scheduled to close on June 3, 2013. The EPA requested a comment period extension,

changing the deadline for submitting comments on the Draft EIS to June 24, 2013.

An electronic version of the Draft EIS is available on the FAA website:

http://www.faa.gov/about/office org/headquarters offices/ast/environmental/nepa docs/review/

documents progress/spacex texas launch site environmental impact statement/. Additionally,

a paper copy and an electronic version of the Draft EIS may be reviewed during regular business

hours at the following Brownsville, Texas locations:

Brownsville Public Library, 2600 Central Blvd

Southmost Branch Library, 4320 Southmost Blvd

University of Texas at Brownsville, Oliveira Library, 80 Fort Brown St.

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